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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

On page 1 amend the fourth paragraph as follows:

Designing an MPEG encoder is thus a matter of balancing circuitry complexity and memory capacity (i.e. chip area) versus compression efficiency. Hence, there is a need for a flexible MPEG encoder. In view thereof, the company of Philips introduced an integrated circuit on the market, which allows I and P coding only. The circuit produces IPPP sequences of images having a resolution of 720×576 pixels, usually referred to as '601' or 'D1' resolution